

DRAFT - will not be approved until reviewed at the next meeting

## Lauderdale Community Council

Minute of Meeting of Lauderdale Community Council (LCC) on Monday 8<sup>h</sup> March 2021 by "ZOOM" at 7.30pm



### 1. Welcome and Apologies

Present: Alistair Smith, *Chairman*, Lorraine Crawford, *Treasurer*, Anne Hogarth, *Secretary*, Rachel Whellans, Jack Ponton, Edward Maitland-Carew, Judi Gunn, Steve Aitchison, Councillors David Parker and Tom Miers (SBC)

Apologies: Ross Montague,

5 members of the public, Hugh Chalmers, Rachel Gray. Ruth Reed, Emma Herdman, Kate Jackson

The Chairman reminded members of the public that they will be asked to speak at the end of the meeting only and no more than one person to speak at a time.

### 2. Conflicts of Interest. None so far.

### 3. Police Report.

- 3.1 The Police Scotland IT system does not support ZOOM so no representative was present. A generic report for Lauderdale and Melrose had been circulated. There were no comments.

### 4. Adoption of Minutes of previous meetings.

The February Minute was approved by Rachel and seconded by Edward.

### 5. Matters arising – None.

### 6. Reports

- 6.1 Planning. There have been no applications this month and no further progress on wind farms.
- 6.2 Treasurer. Arrangements are being made for the money raised by the Resilience Group for maintenance of the defibrillators to be transferred to the LCC account.
- 6.3 Lauder Common Good. Nothing to report.
- 6.4 LCC Outreach.
  - 6.4.1 Judi reported that the potholes in the roads had been discussed.
  - 6.4.2 Nothing further on the flooding above the Blainslie Sawmill.
  - 6.4.3 A suggestion had been put forward that, when Covid restrictions end, there should be a Memorial to all lives lost in the area during that time.
- 6.5 Paths. Nothing to report.
- 6.6 Lauder in Bloom (LiB). Trees have been cut in the School Orchard, beds have been mulched, hanging baskets are being filled and litter picking is in full swing especially near the Coop. The Book Swap cupboard is up and running and being well used.
- 6.7 Eildon Area Partnership. Nothing to report.
- 6.8 Lauderdale Initiative. Nothing to report.

- 6.9 Defibrillators - Automated External Defibrillator (AED).
- 6.9.1 Kate from the Resilience Group reported that it was great receiving the AEDs from various sources but no one realised that they would need maintaining and that pads and batteries need replacing. The Resilience Group has started a Crowd Funding to raise money for this.
- 6.9.2 The AED at the Health Centre was donated by the Strangeways family. It was supplied by Avril's Trust.
- 6.9.3 The AED at Blainslie Village Hall was purchased in 2014 from Scottish H.A.R.T. and parts can still be supplied but that model is not in use any more. Suggested that it needs replaced.
- 6.9.4 The AED at the Pharmacy was supplied by Scottish H.A.R.T. and needs its battery replaced. One has been ordered from Scottish H.A.R.T. The Pharmacy staff check it every month.
- 6.9.5 The AED at the Primary School was purchased through Avril's Trust and the School looks after it.
- 6.9.6 The AED at the Bowling Club was installed by Avril's Trust in Feb-21 and a maintenance plan will be needed.
- 6.9.7 A Sub-group consisting of Kate, Steve, Alistair and Lorraine will be set up to deal with AEDs.
- 6.9.8 The Church has very kindly donated £200 towards the AEDs and a further £100 towards the Food Bank. Anne will write and thank them.
- 6.9.9 Kate noted that the present AEDs are clustered too closely and suggested other venues including the Fire Station, The Coop, the Police Station and the Caravan Park. The AEDs need a power supply and a wall for support. David will look into how to access the Police Station.
- 6.9.10 The meeting gratefully thanked Kate for all her work on this.

## **7. AOB**

- 7.1 Hugh Chalmers has had a chat with the Falconry and has arranged for a new sign to be installed. The path is not a Right of Way but there is a right of access.
- 7.2 Steve asked if anything could be done about the television signal in Lauder which has been very inconsistent this last month.
- 7.3 Emma Herdman raised the point about corteges passing through Market Place and wondered if a Memorial could be supported.
- 7.4 The Town Hall clock is not working and David report that all clocks in the Borders are being upgraded and that they will need an extra electrical socket.

Date of Next Meeting – **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 7. 30.**